

FIRE CHIEF SIBREL SOUNDS WARNING TO CITY'S HOUSEWIVES

Outlines Destructive Result of Carelessness in Fire Prevention.

If you are the kind of a housewife who cannot bear to throw away stocks of newspapers for fear you might need them for pantry shelves; if you leave oilled mops around; if you don't see that your children keep the back yard clean; if you have not seen that your children are entering Oxford this term as Rhodes scholars.

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"This being the first day of fire prevention week," he said, "the firemen of the city are detailed to make an inspection of every district and see that safe conditions and movements are observed. Where the conditions in some neighborhoods are bad, placards will be printed and posted throughout the city calling attention to those conditions. A questionnaire has been published and 4,000 copies have been distributed to the school children. Fire drills are being held every day in the schools, and lectures on prevention are being given."

"Everybody who reads through a theater program notices the paragraph asking theatergoers to mark where the nearest fire escape is. It is just as important that every homeowner should know where the nearest fire box is, and yet not half of them do. Every child, every member of the family should know where the box is. Then, in case of fire, break the glass, turn the key, pull the hook and then wait by the box until the fire engine comes so that you can direct it to the fire."

As an example of the trouble caused by careless housewives, Chief Sibrel told of a fire which was started last week in a barrel of old newspapers in a basement. The firemen were two hours in reaching the seat of the trouble, owing to the smoke.

Statistics of fires and the loss therefore in the city of South Bend alone, are as follows: The total loss in 1920, \$775,275. In 1921, \$292,299. In 1922, \$326,414. The number of fires in 1920 were 824, in 1921, 651; in 1922, (first eight months) 637. The persons burned from fires in 1920, nine; deaths from burns, six. In 1921, three; in 1922, four.

The music for the luncheon was provided by L. C. Riddle of Davison, Mich., who played a piano accordion.

DESPONDENT MAN COMMITS SUICIDE

Harry Thornburg, 53, Drinks Almost a Cupful of Carbolic Acid.

Drinking a cup nearly filled with carbolic acid, while members of his family were away from home, Harry Thornburg, aged 53, 221 E. Tatt st., sometime after 8 o'clock Monday morning committed suicide, swallowing more than four ounces of the acid.

Death is believed to have been but a matter of a few minutes. Mrs. Thornburg, wife of the deceased, returned home at 10 o'clock after a two-hour shopping tour and discovered the body.

Coroner Crumpacker was notified and, pronouncing the case one of suicide, stated that Thornburg had been dead for nearly two hours. Melancholy, due to ill health, is believed to be the reason for Thornburg's act.

Attention of the police was called to the Tatt st. residence by a citizen who had headquarters, stating that a man had "shot" himself.

Minute-Man Ellis Diver answered the call and upon investigation discovered the dead body of Thornburg.

The cup which had contained the acid lying a short distance away, Mrs. Thornburg was beside the body of her husband, prostrated.

Funeral services will be from the residence at 221 E. Tatt St., at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, the Rev. N. D. Beck of Grace Methodist church, officiating. Burial will be in Plymouth Ind.

Red Cross Home Service Section Aids Veterans

According to the report of the home service section of the American Red Cross for the month of September, 47 clients were assisted with compensation claims, 14 with the state bonus, 18 were assisted with financial aid and two with medical aid.

Legal papers were executed for 48 applicants, which included work in training cases, bonus, compensation insurance, retainer pay, victory medal and certificates. In view of lost discharge, Meats and Lodging were furnished for 25 former service men. New compensation claims were filed for eight former soldiers this month.

On loans made previously by the treasuror, \$401.37 was refunded.

Auto Driven by Fireman Strikes 9-Year-Old Boy

Carl McMillan, 9 years old, 1113 S. Lafayette st., received painful injuries about the head about 4:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon when he was struck by an automobile driven by Anton Sroda, 445 S. Pulaski st., a member of the local fire department.

According to Sroda, he was driving north in the 1200 block S. Franklin st. when the boy ran into the street directly in the path of his machine. The car is said to have been going about 10 miles an hour at the time of the accident. The right headlight struck the boy as he fell, cutting the left side of his forehead.

He was taken to Epworth hospital by Sroda. His injuries are not considered serious.

SIX PERCENT COMPOUNDED QUARTERLY

Money placed with the South Bend Building and Loan Association prior to Oct. 11th, draws 6 percent from Oct. 1st compounded quarterly. Incorporated for \$5,000,000.00. Assets \$1,119,000.00; 216 W. Washington av. (first door west of court house.) —Advt.—252-1f.

Dan Sanders to Enter Oxford as Rhodes Scholar

Local Graduate of Harvard Sails From New York Today for England.

Dan H. Sanders, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Sanders, 1317 E. Jefferson, Indianapolis, sails today from New York on the Aquitania for England to enter Oxford university as a Rhodes scholarship student. Mr. Sanders, who is a graduate of Harvard, is one of 21 American college graduates from many states who are entering Oxford this term as Rhodes scholars.

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WAR VETERAN, SHOT ACCIDENTALLY, IN BATTLE FOR LIFE

Owen Hand Waging Plucky Fight Against Death—Expected to Recover.

Fourteen months' training and service on the battlefields of France and a spirit which takes death lightly are two of the factors which are aiding Owen Hand, local war veteran who was accidentally shot Sunday afternoon to win his fight for life at Hospital No. 1.

Hand, who served with the 42nd engineers during the World war, was taken to the hospital late Sunday, a bullet from a .22 calibre revolver having entered his abdomen and lodged near the heart. For a time little hope was held for his recovery as he entered the hospital several hours after the accident in a greatly weakened condition due to the loss of blood. However, the same pluck that enabled him to walk several miles with blood flowing from the wound in his stomach is "pulling him through, and late last night attendants at the hospital reported that he was greatly improved and stood every chance of recovery. The crisis will not be reached for about three days, they said.

Searched For Doctor.

It became known yesterday that Hand, after having accidentally shot himself while in the gun and bicycle repair shop at 1385 N. Main st., operated jointly by himself and K. A. Boyd, leisurely changed his blood-saturated shirt and started in search of a doctor. After having walked several blocks, Officer Hosinski noticed his condition and ordered his removal to the hospital.

At the hospital, through a misunderstanding, the wounded man, suffering greatly from the shock of the wound, became obsessed with the idea that he had better go to the home of his brother, Edward, for medical care. Leaving the hospital unobserved he walked alone to his brother's home at 748 Portage av., although he had been bleeding for a considerable period and was near exhaustion.

Loses Much Blood.

At his brother's home he did not lose consciousness nor aware take serious cognizance of his wound, although three palls were filled by the blood flowing from the wound.

A physician was then summoned and the wounded war veteran was taken once more to the hospital, where Dr. T. J. Swarts operated on him, removing the bullet.

The brother, Edward, to whose home he went after being wounded, has also had close contact with death, having miraculously escaped last January after being electrocuted while in the employ of the Otis Elevator Co. at Elkhart. He has never fully recovered from the accident, however. Hand's mother is dead while his father is living in this city.

Officials of the American Legion and other veterans' organizations are leaving nothing undone to aid their giddy comrade while the wounded man himself, conscious from the first, will rely on that same spirit shown Sunday to win for him.

A regrettable sidelight on the shooting was disclosed yesterday morning when it was discovered that thieves, who are believed to have learned of the accident to Hand Sunday, took advantage of this to break into the shop and steal two guns. The robbery was noticed by Mr. Boyd upon his arrival at the shop this morning.

One of the guns, the property of Mr. Boyd, was a Winchester repeating shotgun, 12 gauge, 1912 model, while the other belonged to August Bultnick, St. Louis bldv., and was a 25-20 Winchester repeating rifle. The padlock had been broken off the door of the shop, but no other articles were disturbed, according to Mr. Boyd.

YOUTH NEAR DEATH AS RESULT OF SHOT ON HUNTING PARTY

Bullet Penetrates Abdomen of Frank Voros in Rum Village Accident.

Frank Voros, aged 16, 1628 Kendall st., is in the Epworth hospital, suffering from a rifle shot wound inflicted while hunting in Rum Village woods about 9 o'clock Monday morning. The bullet penetrated the abdomen. Voros' condition is reported serious.

Voros was in the company of Joseph Petto, 1712 Kendall st., about his own age. Although accounts of the shooting and accusations by Voros, are said to have agreed to a draw game, and while thus engaged, Williams accused him of having stolen \$20 from his pocket. An argument ensued and Boyd is said to have told Williams that he ought to kill him for making such an accusation.

Williams is then said to have left the place, minus his \$20, and fearing that Boyd would shoot him on sight to have secured a revolver for himself. After purchasing the revolver, Williams started for his home and stopped in George Jackson's restaurant at 124 Chapin st. According to Williams' story he did not know Boyd was seated in the rear of the place, and as Williams walked towards the rear, he claims Boyd arose from his seat and started towards him, saying, "Oh, there you are."

Williams then started firing at the larger man, who, he had been warned, threatened to shoot him on sight.

Life Threatened, Says.

Williams has informed the police that he was compelled to remain away from home one night and keep in hiding on several occasions because of threats which Boyd had made on his life.

On the night of the shooting Williams walked in the heavy rain storm to Elkhart, he stated, throwing his revolver away near Ossceola. From there he made his way to Detroit and has been working with a construction gang up to the time of his arrest.

Williams stated last night that he will retain the best lawyer available to fight the case, feeling satisfied that he was justified in the shooting.

Veteran Police Official Is Married at Cassopolis

Joseph A. Chappell, 55, a former local police sergeant and one of the candidates for sheriff at the last primary election, stole a march on his friends around City Hall court Saturday morning and slipped away to Cassopolis, Mich., where he was married in the afternoon to Mrs. Blanche Romsey, 45, of Jones, Mich.

Mrs. Romsey is a sister of Detective Jack Northrup of the local department and is well known in this city.

The couple returned to this city Sun-

COUNCILMEN ACT FAVORABLY UPON THREE ORDINANCES

Meeting as Committee of Whole, Members Report on Proposed Measures.

Three ordinances were discussed by the committee of the whole of the council last night and voted to be favorably reported back to the council at the next regular meeting.

The ordinances discussed were for an appropriation of \$1,200 from the general fund to the miscellaneous fund of the department of public works for payment of assessments on city property. The ordinance repealing section three and amending four or ordinance No. 2250, pertaining to distribution of advertising material, was favorably reported after the old ordinance was shown to be a hindrance to local dis-

tributors.

Urge Attendance.

To the regular meeting of the committee, Mayor Eli F. Seiber addressed the councilmen, requesting them to attend as many meetings as possible of the annual session of the Municipal League to be held at the Chamber of Commerce starting Wednesday and closing Friday.

The mayor has also requested the citizens of the city to attend the gatherings to become educated in what other municipalities are doing in the way of improving and beautifying the cities. The city planning commission was present, was read and accepted.

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commission has arranged to have an exhibit at the session, which will be exhibited by City Planning Expert Harland Bartholomew.

Shank Not To Speak.

Mayor Samuel L. Shank of Indianapolis, scheduled to address the session at noon Thursday, will be unable to attend, Prof. Bates of the municipal department of Indiana University has accepted an invitation to deliver the principal address at that time.

A motion made by R. M. Hutchinson, councilman-at-large, to allow the use of the council chamber for the use of the city planning exhibit, following the three day session, was favorably voted upon by the committee members.

An invitation from William F. Hodges, president of the convention of the Municipal League of Indiana, requesting the committee to be present, was read and accepted.

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